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Serial No.: 09/630,215

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For: METHODS FOR PREDICTING PREGNANCY OUTCOME IN A SUBJECT BY hCG ASSAY

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.

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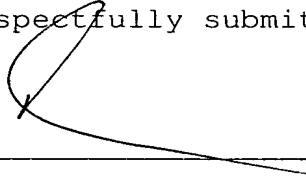
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 26, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the August 26, 2003 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the August 26, 2003 Office Action is due November 26, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.